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RESPONSE AFTER A FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to an Office Action dated 11/08/2006 Finally rejecting all claims in the case, Applicants respectfully request that the remarks presented herein be entered into the case after Final Rejection to prepare the case for Appeal.

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper. No amendments are presented.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.